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1. THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS PROVIDED IN RESPONSE TO  
QUESTIONS IN REFTEL A. LIKE THE GOS, THE US IS PREPARED  
IF NECESSARY TO BEGIN WORK IN THE COMMISSIONS WITHOUT RE-  
SOLVING IN ADVANCE THE WORK PROGRAM FORMULATIONS ON DEBT  
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RELIEF AND INDEXATION. HOWEVER, BECAUSE OF THEIR STATE-

MENTS TO THE CONTRARY, WE DOUBT THE G-19 MEMBERS WOULD AGREE TO PROCEED IN SEPTEMBER ON THE BASIS OF INCOMPLETE WORK PROGRAMS.

2. WE CONTINUE TO FEEL STRONGLY THAT WE CANNOT COMMIT OURSELVES IN ADVANCE DURING THE FORMULATION OF WORK PROGRAMS, TO THE SPECIFIC ELEMENTS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE PACKAGE OF PROPOSALS TO BE PRESENTED TO A MINISTERIAL MEETING IN DECEMBER. THIS WOULD PREJUDGE THE RESULTS OF THE ACTUAL WORK OF THE COMMISSIONS. BEYOND THIS, THE UNITED STATES DOES NOT CONTEMPLATE ACCEPTANCE AT A LATER DATE OF PROPOSALS ENDORSING EITHER AUTOMATIC OR GENERALIZED DEBT RELIEF FOR GROUPS OF DEVELOPING NATIONS OR "INDEXATION". IN OUR VIEW, THERE ARE GOOD REASONS FOR RESISTING UNREALISTIC

DEMANDS ON BOTH THESE SUBJECTS. WE ARE, HOWEVER, WILLING TO DISCUSS FURTHER IN CIEC ANY PROPOSALS WHICH THE GROUP OF 19 WISH TO MAKE.

3. AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE JULY COMMISSION SESSIONS, IT WAS AGREED THAT THE CANADIAN AND VENEZUELAN CIEC CO-CHAIRMEN WOULD CONSULT TO TRY TO RESOLVE THE IMPASSE. WE HAVE INDICATED TO ALL CIEC CAPITALS OUR SUPPORT FOR THE CANADIANS IN THIS EFFORT AND OUR WILLINGNESS TO ASSIST THEM AS THEY DEEM APPROPRIATE. WE THINK IT IMPORTANT THAT ALL G-8 COUNTRIES FULLY SUPPORT THE CANADIAN EFFORTS WITH THE G-19, AND THAT THE CANADIANS SHOULD DECIDE IF AND WHEN A G-8 COORDINATION MEETING WOULD BE DESIRABLE. FYI. WE WILL OF COURSE WANT TO CONTINUE TO USE REGULAR XCSS SESSIONS TO BRIEF OECD MEMBERS ON DEVELOPMENTS AND MAINTAIN SUPPORT FOR ON-GOING G-8 EFFORTS. END FYI. KISSINGER

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